

First Lady Sketches Inaugural Gown Style

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NEW YORK (UPI) — Young Mrs. John F. Kennedy turned to a couple of veteran dressmakers to produce her inaugural wardrobe.

Between them, Oleg Cassini and Ethel Frankau have been in the fashion business for nearly 75 years.

Cassini, who will make at least five evening dresses for Mrs. Kennedy, opened his salon in Rome in 1933. He was 20 at the time.

Miss Frankau went to work in 1914 as a buyer with Bergdorf Goodman and developed the New York store's custom department which will make the next first lady's inaugural ball gown. Mrs. Kennedy submitted her own sketches for the gown and details are top secret. Only Miss Frankau and about half a dozen seasoned seamstresses and fitters know whether Mrs. Kennedy selected a slim or full-skirted silhouette, and none is talking.

"I've said no to inquiries so

often I'm beginning to feel like the sphinx of Bergdorf's," said Miss Frankau in an interview.

"But we will not release one single detail of the dress until Mrs. Kennedy says it's all right."

Miss Frankau, a small woman with dark eyes and gray hair, is generally considered the "dean" of New York buyers. She was one of the first in the United States to decide American stores needed to know what Paris designers were making. She has been covering the Paris fashion openings since 1915.

Through the years, the list of customers who have visited the salon, done in "ankle deep" beige carpet and antique French furnishings, would read like a combination social and celebrity register. Miss Frankau said she had sold to President-elect Kennedy's sisters for several years.

For Cassini, this is his first commission from the future first lady. He visited the 33-year-old Jacqueline at Georgetown Hospital in Washington last week.



FOR THE FIRST TIME in the history of Klamath Falls, a Panhellenic tea will be held Wednesday, Dec. 28, at the home of Mrs. Charles Henderson, 1972 Earle Street. All national Greek sorority women are invited to come for tea between the hours of 2 and 5. A special invitation is issued to all college girls affiliated with so-

rorities. Every effort is being made to contact sorority women in the Klamath Falls and Tulelake areas. Shown are some of those making arrangements. Seated, left to right, are Mrs. Robert Ellingson, Chi Omega; Mrs. James C. Pinniger, Gamma Phi Beta; Mrs. Robert Thompson, Sigma Kappa; Mrs. Fred Ehlers, Pi Beta Phi. Standing, same order, Mrs. Robert Meinhold, Kappa Alpha Theta; Mrs. Jerry Kershner, Gamma Phi Beta. For information call Mrs. Pinniger, TU 2-2477, or Mrs. Kershner, TU 4-6382. — Photo by Kettler

Christmas Scene Bright With Gala New Fashions

NEW YORK—What should you wear to a trim-the-tree party? How "dressed" is an open house? Is a knee-twinkler correct for evening wear?

There's a party for every holiday and a fashion for every party, says the December issue of a popular magazine which shows imaginative new fashions for informal and gala holiday events.

For trimming a tree the magazine likes the Scandinavian look in home-spun fabrics, and for wrapping presents the nod goes to quilts and corduroys. An open house calls for ribbon-trimmed pink bouffants, and New Year's Eve asks for icy white sprinkled with green.

For informal parties of all kinds, knee-twinkler length, jumper styles, tunics, skinny pants and the layered look make the big news. Striped worsted wool inspired by Scandinavia is fashioned into a button-on overskirt topping a flounced-sleeve blouse and knee-cap shorts of wool-and-rabbit's hair jersey, and the same striped wool makes a belted tunic over an Irish linen dress. Ingenious

styles in homespun cotton include an embroidered apron and a ruffled overblouse.

Knee-twinkler length appears in a quilted sleeveless dress, Lord Fauntleroy shorts and a corduroy play dress. Sleevelessness abounds, with ruffled blouses and bright sweaters often worn underneath.

Dress-up fashions are in the pink-bouffant pink clouds with daintily embroidered ribbon accents. Of sheer silk organza or silk and cotton, these holiday concoctions feature huge skirts floating over petticoats.

For New Year's Eve, formality is the word, with white, bare-bodied frocks taking shaped skirts and delicate greenery.



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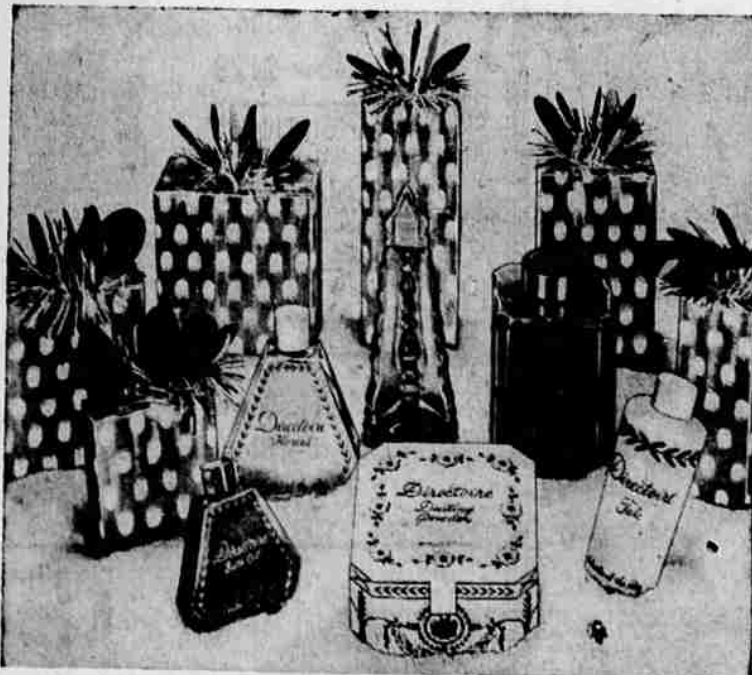
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Jewelry Gifts For Tots Aid In Their Training

Beauty is a gentle taskmaster, the Jewelry Industry Council points out, and that is why many of the jeweler's gifts for children have a double purpose.

For, in addition to their current usefulness, many jeweler's gifts gently teach a child the rudiments of good grooming and good manners.

A charming gold bracelet, a ring or a gold hair clip gives a little girl a "grown-up" delight and poses a challenge of good grooming. A new wristwatch on a little boy's wrist will help stimulate a desire for clean hands.

A tiny pearl, a locket or a cross strung on a fine gold chain gives a little girl a dress-up thrill, while her brother feels like a real man when he wears his tie clip, belt buckle or ring or uses his very own silver military brushes styled for him.

And silver, especially designed to fit young hands from a toddler learning to feed himself to a young teen-ager, is a great lesson in good manners. Napkin rings also help a youngster understand and learn the personal pride that is the heart of good manners.

PTA News

HAPPY CAMP — Happy Camp Parent-Teacher Association members were entertained by city elementary school students during a meeting at the high school recently.

Those participating were Merry Titus, Roger Haddon, Jean Vinson, Larry Westby, Beth Walters and Roy Rowden.

James Tristan led those present in singing Christmas carols. High school sophomores and elementary school sixth graders served refreshments.

David Maxson, elementary school teacher read a parody called "The Night Before Christmas."

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